

Union Calendar No. 293

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5407

[Report No. 117-383]

To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to promote comprehensive campus mental health and suicide prevention plans, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 28, 2021

Ms. WILD (for herself, Mr. KELLER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. TRONE, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. DEAN, Mr. HARDER of California, and Mr. DESAULNIER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

JUNE 23, 2022

Additional sponsors: Mrs. AXNE, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NEGUSE, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. CHU, Mr. SABLAR, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MC CORMICK, Mr. CASTEN, Mr. TAKANO, and Ms. KELLY of Illinois

JUNE 23, 2022

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on September 28, 2021]

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Enhancing Mental*
5 *Health and Suicide Prevention Through Campus Planning*
6 *Act”.*

7 **SEC. 2. ENCOURAGING CAMPUS COMPREHENSIVE MENTAL**
8 **HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION PLANS.**

9 *Part L of title VIII of the Higher Education Act of*
10 *1965 (20 U.S.C. 1161l et seq.) is amended—*

11 (1) *by redesignating section 826 as section 827;*
12 *and*

13 (2) *by inserting after section 825 the following*
14 *new section:*

15 **“SEC. 826. ENCOURAGING CAMPUS COMPREHENSIVE MEN-**
16 **TAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION**
17 **PLANS.**

18 “(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make efforts*
19 *to encourage institutions of higher education to develop and*
20 *implement evidence-based comprehensive campus mental*
21 *health and suicide prevention plans. Such efforts—*

22 “(1) *shall be conducted in coordination with the*
23 *Secretary of Health and Human Services (acting*
24 *through the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health*
25 *and Substance Use);*

1 “(2) shall align with—

2 “(A) the efforts and approaches rec-
3 ommended by the Suicide Prevention Resource
4 Center;

5 “(B) the programs authorized under section
6 9032 of the 21st Century Cures Act (42 U.S.C.
7 290bb–36b note; Public Law 114-255), the
8 amendments made by section 9031 of such Act to
9 section 520E–2 of the Public Health Service Act
10 (42 U.S.C. 290bb–36b), and the amendment
11 made by section 9033 of such Act to part D of
12 title V of the Public Health Service Act (42
13 U.S.C. 290dd et seq.); and

14 “(C) the programs authorized under the
15 Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act (42 U.S.C. 201
16 note; Public Law 108-355);

17 “(3) shall take into consideration existing Fed-
18 eral and State efforts to address mental health and
19 suicide prevention at institutions of higher education;
20 and

21 “(4) may be carried out in collaboration with
22 nonprofit organizations, community-based organiza-
23 tions that partner with institutions of higher edu-
24 cation, and other experts and stakeholders in the field
25 of campus mental health and suicide prevention.

1 “(b) *REPORTS.*—The Secretary shall report to the
2 Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Rep-
3 resentatives and the Committee on Health, Education,
4 Labor, and Pensions of the Senate on the efforts of the Sec-
5 retary carried out under this section—

6 “(1) not later than one year after the date of en-
7 actment of the *Enhancing Mental Health and Suicide*
8 *Prevention Through Campus Planning Act;* and

9 “(2) three years after the date of enactment of
10 such Act.

11 “(c) *CONSTRUCTION.*—Nothing in this section shall be
12 construed as creating new statutory requirements for insti-
13 tutions of higher education or granting the Secretary new
14 regulatory authority.”.

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